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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Responsive to the Office Action mailed November 18, 2002, consideration of the following Remarks is respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) over Ladner, U.S. Patent No. 5,223,409

The Office Action mailed November 18, 2002, alleges that the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) and the obviousness double-patenting rejection cannot be held in abeyance because neither rejection is provisional. A new period to respond to these grounds was set forth therein.